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SUBJECT: LTP - GRASSLAND RESERVE PROGRAM

<u>Purpose:</u> To provide additional information on the Grassland Reserve Program.

Expiration date: September 30, 2005.

Attached to this bulletin is the list of FY2004 applications that were deferred due to lack of funding. Also attached is a short letter that can be sent along with a GRP Fact Sheet notifying these applicants of the FY2005 sign-up period.

The Fact Sheet is available on the national home page at; http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/farmbill/2002/pdf/GRPFactSheet9 04.pdf

There is a good possibility that FY2005 will be the last year that GRP is funded in the current farm bill. All interested farmers should be encouraged to apply. The existence of a large unfunded backlog of applications may provide the additional interest necessary to increase the program's funding level.

Direct all questions on the information in this bulletin to Paul Flynn, State Resource Conservationist.

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Attachments

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